

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Permit Renewal and Negative Declaration Proposed for David H Fell Facility Bell, California



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: November 3 through December 17, 2008

WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED? The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the draft Permit Renewal of the Standardized Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, Series B, for David H. Fell and Company, Inc. (Facility) located at 6009 Bandini Boulevard in Bell. David H. Fell and Company, Inc. is a precious metal recycler that operates a hazardous waste treatment and storage facility.

David H. Fell and Company, Inc., transfers hazardous waste containing silver and other precious metals from known offsite generators to the facility. The hazardous waste is analyzed to determine its precious metals contents. The incoming waste is processed to the reclamation of precious metals in the physical form. The Facility has been in operation since December 22, 1997.

DTSC regulates the generation, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous waste in California. A Permit enables DTSC to effectively regulate the hazardous waste management activities at facilities. Permits are developed after DTSC's detailed technical review, and are intended to ensure that the facility operates in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT – NEGATIVE DECLARATION - DTSC evaluated any possible environmental impacts associated with the proposed operation of this facility, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act. DTSC has prepared a Negative Declaration which states that the hazardous waste facility would not have significant impacts to human health and the environment. The findings are available for comment and review, along with other supporting documents in the information repositories.

WHY THIS NOTICE? The purpose of this notice is to provide you with the opportunity to learn more about the Draft Permit and to provide comments to DTSC, within forty-five (45) days of this notice.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE? Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the Draft Permit may be submitted in writing to Ms. Joanna Louie, DTSC Project Manager, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, California 94710, or e-mail Jlouie@dtsc.ca.gov. All mail must be postmarked by 5 PM on December 17, 2008. E-mailed comments must be received by DTSC no later than 5 PM on the same date.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION? A copy of the Draft Permit and CEQA Negative Declaration is available for review in the Information Repositories located at Bell Public Library, 4411 E. Gage Avenue, Bell, 90201, and Department of Toxic Substances Control, Berkeley Regional Records Room, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, 94710.

CONTACT: If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Ms. Joanna Louie, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3957 or by e-mail to Jlouie@dtsc.ca.gov. For public participation activities, please contact Ms. Kim Rhodes, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3651 or by e-mail to Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov. Members of the media should contact Ms. Jeanne Garcia, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (818) 717-6573 or by e-mail to Jgarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov.